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- 25X1 1. The Avia National Corporation plant in Cakovice, north of Prague, is divided by the Cakovice-Letnany road into two plants. Plant no. 1 east of the road manufactures parts for Soviet fighter-bombers; plant no. 2 manufactures parts for Skoda trucks and busses. About 3,000 workers are employed in each plant. About 20 new employees per week enter plant no. 2 and a like number of politically reliable workers from this plant are transferred to plant no. 1. The plant militia numbers about 50 men armed with pistols and rifles. One member of the militia accompanied by a dog patrols the enclosure around each plant by day and by night.
2. The machine shop of plant no. 2 is equipped with about 3,500 machine tools of German or American manufacture. About one-third of the productive capacity of this shop has been changed to the production of parts for Soviet type 33 fighter-bombers.* It is intended that by the end of 1951 the entire shop will be working on aircraft production. At present the major part of the shop is producing engine parts and gears for Skoda busses and trucks and assembling busses and trucks at a rate of about eight per day. Work is done in two shifts.

Attachment: Sketch of the Avia plant in Cakovice

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25X1 Comment: the Avia plant in Cakovice is producing parts of the bodies of MIG-15 and B-33 planes. The B-33 is described as being a low-wing two-seat fighter plane similar to the Me-109 but larger, more heavily armored and with a maximum speed of about 550 km per hour. B may stand for "bojovy letoun", or fighter plane. B-33 would be the factory name for a model which the Ministry of National Defense has not yet decided to put into full production. It is believed probable, according to this source, that this plane is the Soviet IL-2 or a new version of the IL-10.

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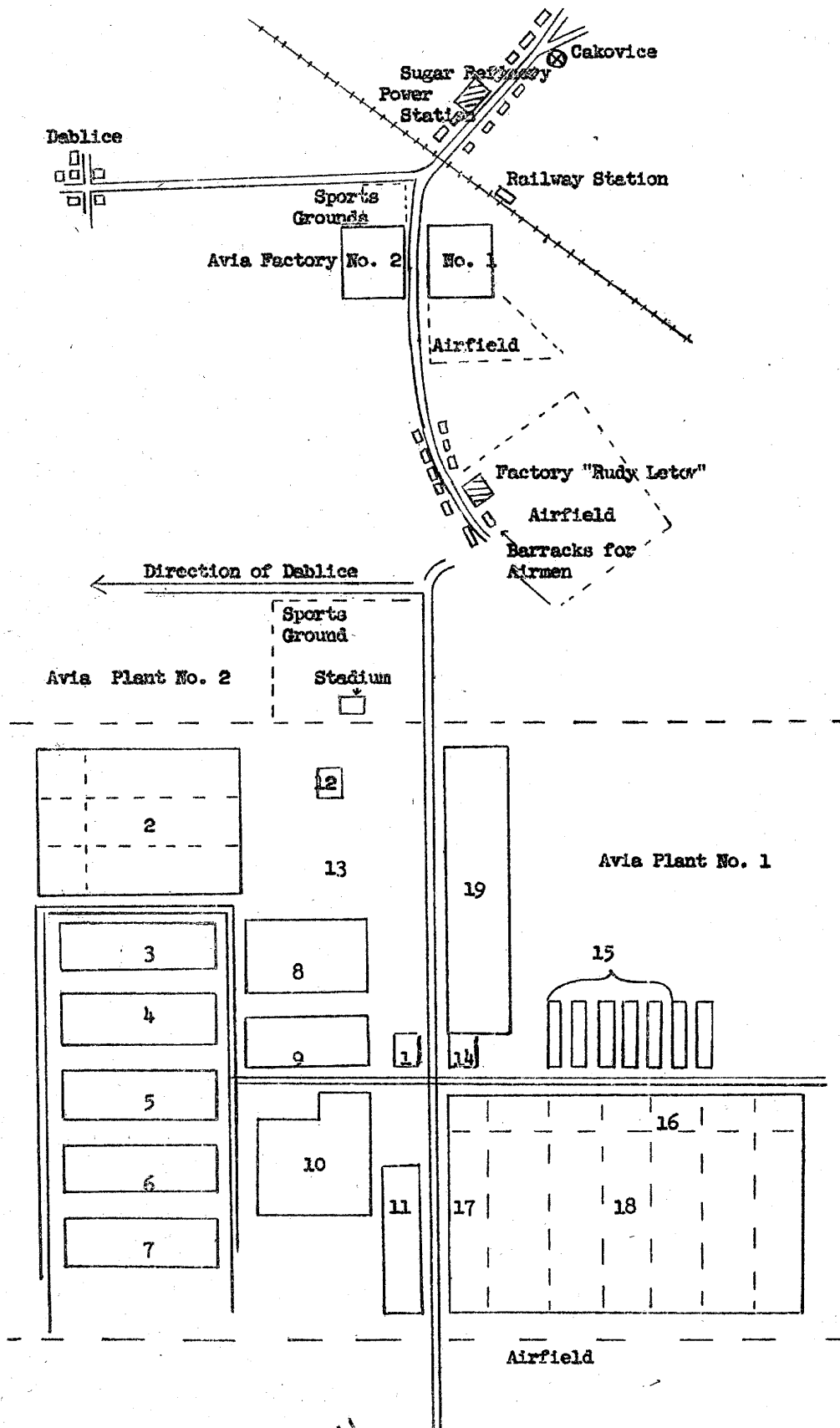
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Key to Sketch

1. Guardroom for plant no. 2, occupied by three armed militia members
2. Machine shop built by the Germans during World War II
3. Truck and bus chassis assembly shop
4. Engine and gear assembly shop
5. Canteen, theater and kitchen
6. Body assembly shop
7. Body assembly shop
8. Car repair shop
9. Battery charging shop and electrical repair shop
10. New shops and offices under construction
11. Warehouse
12. Fuel and varnish storehouse
13. Car park
14. Guardroom for plant no. 1, occupied by three armed militia members
15. Wooden administration buildings and infirmary
16. Two-story administration building; offices on the first floor, drafting rooms on the second floor
17. Two-story administration building; 2nd floor: archives
18. Aircraft parts workshop
19. Workshop

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